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NEWS

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The Environmental Protection Agency will propose new use rules for one carbon nanotube and two diisocyanates Oct. 27 after a trade association and law firm objected to the agency previously having issued the rules as direct final regulations....

Chemicals

PODCAST: What the New Chemicals Law Means for You and Me

This summer, Congress passed a major overhaul of the law that allows the EPA to regulate toxic chemicals, the Toxic Substances Control Act. The overhaul became law after years of tough political wrangling on Capitol Hill, and it was ultimately...

Chemicals

Relevance of Rodent Tumors After Chemical Exposures Debated

Chemical manufacturers and regulatory agencies are wrestling with questions about whether studies that find liver tumors in chemical-exposed rodents show people may get cancer if exposed to the same chemical. ...

Climate Change

Exxon Suffers Fresh Setback in N.Y. Court in Climate Fight Exxon Mobil Corp. suffered its second setback in three days in a New York court as a judge rejected its claim that audit documents sought in a climate change fraud probe were

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Drinking Water

Replacing All Lead Water Pipes Under EPA Consideration EPA wants to get the lead out. All of it. Replacing lead service lines in their entirety is among the regulatory options the Environmental Protection Agency is mulling as part of its upcoming revisions to the lead and copper rule....

Endangered Species

Recovery Plan Imminent for Two Pacific NW Fish Populations

The long-running tensions over hydroelectric dams and fish in the Columbia River and Snake River basins may be ratcheted up again Oct. 27 when the National Marine Fisheries Service releases its proposed recovery plan for two regional populations...

Energy

Mexico Energy Reform Seen Adding \$1 Trillion to Economy by 2040

The opening of Mexico's energy industry to private oil producers and power generators will add more than \$1 trillion to the country's economy by 2040, according to a report by the International Energy Agency....

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Power, Landfill Companies Face New Coal Ash Rules in Georgia

Georgia Power's handling of coal ash will face another layer of oversight after state regulators passed rules to supplement federal coal-ash regulations, but environmental advocates say the state didn't go far enough....

Enforcement

Environmental Crime Prosecutions Down by Half in Five Years

Criminal prosecutions based on Environmental Protection Agency investigations are down by half compared to five years ago and at the lowest level in two decades, according to Justice Department data. ...

Enforcement

EPA Opens Enforcement Inquiry Into Misuse of Dicamba
A flurry of complaints of crop damage from misuse of herbicides
containing Dicamba led the Environmental Protection Agency to
open a criminal investigation in a four-county area of
southeastern Missouri....

Enforcement

Witnesses Freeze Up as Justice Seeks Prosecutions
One year into the Justice Department's push to prosecute
employees criminally for environmental and safety violations,
workers are growing leery about sharing information with
investigators, a panel of industry attorneys said...

Hydraulic Fracturing

Anadarko Forges New Deal on Use of City Wastewater in Fracking

Anadarko Petroleum Corp., has renegotiated the final annual payment it owes the city of Aurora, Colo., as part of a five-year, \$9.5-million contract allowing it to use the city's "used" water to frack oil and natural gas wells....

Pesticides

Bayer Agrees to First-of-its-Kind Accord Over Pesticide
Ads

Global pesticide manufacturer Bayer CropScience LP will pay Massachusetts \$75,000 and change its advertising practices to settle allegations that it misled consumers about the risks its lawn and garden products pose to bees and the environment....

Pesticides

House Committee Chair Sees Conspiracy in Glyphosate Delays

The Republican leader of the House Science Committee is blaming a conspiracy of environmental activists and EPA staffers for delays in the agency's risk review of glyphosate, the active chemical in Monsanto's Roundup weed killer...

Renewable Energy

Next U.S. Offshore Wind Farm Set for Lake Erie
The next U.S. offshore wind farm in the U.S. will probably be
almost 500 miles (800 kilometers) from the nearest ocean....

Renewable Energy

Space Technology to Boost Lockheed Efforts in New Energy Frontier

Lockheed Martin Corp. says engineering tidal turbines to withstand the relentless pounding of the Earth's oceans isn't much different than the machines it makes to survive the extreme conditions of outer space....

Water Pollution

U.S. Given More Time to Defend Water Rule in Appeals Court

A federal appeals court gave the Environmental Protection Agency and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers nearly an extra month to file their defense of the Clean Water Rule....

Water Resources

Water Releases Urged Along Part of Colorado River Delta A pilot program to release 340 billion gallons of water along the U.S.-Mexico border brought vegetation and bird life to normally parched areas of the Colorado River Delta, and the plan should continue as the countries negotiate renewal of...

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Regulatory Policy

Courts, Not Congress, Must Repair Regulatory State: Senator

Legislation to slow or stop the perceived onslaught of regulation from "unaccountable" federal agencies over the past eight years has consistently failed, but one Republican senator thinks he knows a better solution....

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